



DER SPRIDER UND DER FLY.

BY CHARLES POLANS ADAMS.

I read in Taylor's story book,
A couple weeks ago,
You find a little fly, I think
He should not be so bold.
I'd ask the good countess, too,
Vich ye should profit by,
"Vill you into mine parlor walk
Narcissa's fly, der fly."

Just set me thinking right away,
Und when von afternoon
A fly was in the room,
Und dells me poosty soon
He had a sister name to sell,
Und ask me if I buy,
I find out der countess
Off der place poosty fly.

Der color day when der ears
I vent by Nix York out,
I meets a fraulein on der train,
Who dells me mit a poost,
She likes der Deutscher shoemakers,
Und dells me sit poostly her,
I says, "Mine friend, I was no fly,
Zei you was been a spider."

I vent into der smoking car,
Where they was playing cards,
Und also me some things der cards
Der funny "Jedde Joke".
Some money it was changing hands,
They wanted me to try,
I says, "You too too too too,
I don't was been a fly?"

On Central Park a smart young man
Raps: "Narcissa, how was you poost?"
Und dells me kindly der hand,
Und ask me off mine Narcissa.
He vands to change a fifty bill,
Und says he was a spider-
Maybe, he was no fly,
Mondt like he was a spider.

Most every day some swindling chap
He dells his little game,
I puts me out der spider bees,
Und poost me mit a fly,
Right und mine color I hangs it onp,
Und near it on der fly,
I keeps a fly, to no send quick out,
Those spiders "Nix der fly."

NARCISSE'S MISTAKE.

It was "blackberry-jam day."

Every nation has its movable and
immovable feasts and festivities;
every household boasts its great an-
niversaries, and to Narcissa Hall the
blackberry-jam season always
brought pleasant associations.

There was the gathering of the
beautiful, sparkling, jet black fruit,
to begeth by the wayside, unaccom-
panied with reminiscences of rustic
swains, who carried her baskets and
found the nicest vines and bushes
for her; the impromptu lunch eaten
under the shadow of great, mossy
rocks, with the mellow whistle of
linnet and thrush overhead; the
draught in vineleaf cups, pinned to-
gether by the sun, and the deep-
hearted woodland spring; the home-
ward walk in the lengthening after-
noon shadows, and then Narcissa
was a lone housewife. Her jellies
were always a success, her preserves
were beyond criticism, and she was
innocently proud of her prowess.

She was a dark, brilliant little
brunette, with large liquid eyes,
whose curled lashes turned pigmy-
like up, and a mouth as red and
fresh as a wild rose.

"The prettiest girl in all the coun-
try," as Walter Millman said to
himself, as he leaned over the kitchen
window sill, and beheld her stir-
ring the bubbling mass of sweets
with an immense silver spoon, which
had come down, a sort of heirloom
through half a dozen generations of
Halls.

"Narcissa!" he ventured to say
after a second or two of respectful
silence, during which, although she
was known perfectly well that she
was there, she never raised her eyes.

"Oh, is it you, Walter?"

"Don't let me interrupt you," said
Walter, a little shyly. "I've brought
you one of Dora's little white pup-
pies—here in a basket."

"A puppy?" cried Narcissa con-
temptuously. "Me a puppy? I hate
dogs!"

Walter's countenance fell percep-
tibly.

"I thought you said you would
like one of Dora's little ones," began
he.

"I don't see what can possibly
have put any such nonsense into
your head?" fairly retorted Nar-
cissa.

"Then you don't want it?"

"No, I certainly don't want it."

"But you took a gray African par-
rot from Mr. Silber last week?" du-
bitously.

"Well, why shouldn't I? I do so
dote on parrots—and this one says
'how d'ye do' already."

"Oh?" said Walter, bitterly, as he
put the little, downy, blue-ribbed
puppy back into his basket, and ad-
dressed it satirically. "Yes, go back,
Dorette, you're not a scolding, chat-
tering parrot. We'll have to find
another home for you, Dorette."

Narcissa bit her lip.

"I dare say Alice Jeffers would
like the dog," said she. "Alice is
fond of pets."

"I dare say so, too," Walter re-
joined, dryly. "Good morning, Nar-
cissa! Oh, by the way—"

"Well?"

Narcissa was stirring away more
vigorously than ever now.

"About the New Moon picnic, I
suppose you will be going with Sil-
ber?"

"I shouldn't wonder," said Nar-
cissa, coloring up.

"Then I needn't trouble about
coming for you?"

"Certainly you need not."

No such silly young people parted.
Walter Millman would have given
his life for Narcissa Hall. Nar-
cissa loved the very sound of the
young fellow's frank, free voice; and
yet, nobody on earth knew why, they
had both contrived to build up be-
tween themselves the frame-work of
a very pretty quarrel.

"How ridiculous! One of Dora's

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THE LIME KILN CLUB.

Departure of Giuseppe Smith to a Foreign Country—Brother Gardner's Advice.

"Brother Giuseppe Smith," said

the president, as the triangle ceased

its tinkling and the meeting was

declared open, "I am given to un-

derstand that you are going away to

visit a foreign country."

"Yes, sah; I've gone over to

"Canada,"

"Worry, worry, de change of eight

an' smells will probably do you good,

I've said to see you go, but I want

to say a few words to you right now

and yere. In do first place, don't

engine that de hull United States are

going to hold its breath while you

are gone, or be perched on de pedestal

of anxiety till you get back. Se-

cond, don't let your size kin eben take

de stone for England, widder re-

member de wheels of de wheels of de

business or throwing a state into con-

fusion. Dis may seem strange to you,

but it ain't, nevertheless, a cold fact.

"Secondly, don't go away feelin'

dat you ain't no representative of

de kintry, an' dat you have de dig-

nity of de United States to main-

tain. If you hev such a feeling you

don't dare cut out on der neck, an'

in another bush, der kintry, an'

are publicly put to death. De coun-

try has some 700,000 aborigines,

with 20,000 persons of aboriginal

stock, and nearly all the semi-trop-

ical products are indigenous there.

The government is modeled exactly

after ours. It was declared an in-

dependent state in 1847, and the

year following was recognized as

such by Great Britain and France.

The climate, which was once consid-

ered fatal to Europeans, has been

recently much improved by clear-

ances, drainage and the like, and

bids fair ultimately to be inhabi-

table by the Western races.

FRANKLIN AS A WIT.

The Third Toast at the French Dinner.

When all the Ministers of the

several powers attended the negotia-

tions in Paris, after the Revolution-

ary War, and agreed on the terms

of a general peace, the British Min-

ister was anxious to have the Ohio

River the boundary of the United

States. But, Franklin convinced the

other Ministers that a line drawn

through the great lakes would be

safer for a lasting peace, and it was

adopted. He was appointed to de-

scribe the line, which he did from

the French manuscripts, so as to

include the most and best of the

concessions in the United States.

After the treaty of peace was fully

signed it was whispered that Frank-

lin had gone to the window of the

Minister, and that he had agreed

to have a dinner together to quiz

Franklin. It was said that the

British Minister had even spoken

very disrespectfully of Gen. Wash-

ington, as not being of any noble

family, and used to call him the

"Son of None."

"For a toast at the dinner the

British Minister gave: 'My master,

George, in the name of the sun that

enlightens the universe."

The French Minister gave: 'My

master, Louis, in the name of the

moon that enlightens the universe

when the sun hath gone to bed."

Franklin then gave: 'My friend,

George Washington, in the name of

Joshua, the son of Nun, that com-

manded the sun and moon to stand

still, and they obeyed him."

It is said there were no more

toasts drunk that day.—Post.

PILES! PILES! PILES!

Secure cure for Piles, Bleeding and Itching

Piles. One box has cured the worst cases

of Piles. It is a sure cure, and it is

entirely new. It is a sure cure, and it is

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